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Title: The Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Food Processing Industries laid a statement regarding status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 22nd Report of the Standing Committee on Agriculture on Demands for Grants (2011-12), pertaining to the Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, Ministry of Agriculture.

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE AND MINISTER OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): Madam, I beg to lay on the Table of the House a Statement on status of implementation of recommendations contained in Twenty Second Report of Committee on Agriculture (2011-12) in pursuance of direction 73A of hon. Speaker, Lok Sabha issued *vide* Lok Sabha Bulletin Part-II, dated September 01, 2004.

The Twenty Second Report of Standing Committee on Agriculture (Fifteenth Lok Sabha), was presented to Lok Sabha on 29.08.2011. This report relates to examination of Demands for Grants of Ministry of Agriculture, Department of Agriculture and Cooperation, for year 2011-2012 and contains 18 recommendations. These recommendations mainly pertain to issues such as Present State of Indian Agriculture, Allocation and Utilization of funds, New Schemes, Planning for Twelfth Five-Year Plan, Agricultural Production Estimates, Scientific Method for Estimating Agricultural Production, Cooperation, Support to State Extension Programmes for Extension Reforms, Strengthening and Modernization of Pest Management in India, NFSM, Integrated Nutrient Management and Outstanding Utilization Certificates. Action Taken Statement on recommendations/observations contained in the report of the Committee was sent to the Committee on Agriculture on 26.12.2011.

Out of the 18 recommendations, one recommendation (1.4) is on final reply to Sixth Report of the Committee and another one (3.43) is of general nature. The present status of implementation of the remaining 16 recommendations of the Committee is indicated in the Annexure to my Statement, which is laid on the Table of the House. I would not like to take the valuable time of the House to read the contents of this Annexure, which may be taken as read.
